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AMENDMENT A(2)

In response to the Office letter mailed November 2nd, 2004 which concerned omissions on the reply filed August 12, 2004 this amendment supplies the corrections as follows :

DESCRIPTION:

page 2, paragraph 3,

In order to do so, the bedsheets retainer system consists of at least one clip but preferably a plurality of clips and a [[latte]] [slat]. Bedsheets are wrapped around the [[latte]] [slat] and all are grappled by the clips and the whole is tucked underneath the mattress.

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FIG. 1 orthogonal perspective view of the bedsheets retainer system.

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FIG. 4 cross sectional detail of clip ratchet along line A-A [of Fig. 3].

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FIG. 1 orthogonal perspective view of the bedsheets retainer system.

page 3, paragraph 1 of section « ...preferred embodiment »

A bedsheets retainer system (10) has a latte slat (12) around which bedsheets (14) are wrapped, and one or more clips (16). The latte slat (12) is separate and distinct from the clip (16) and is held within the clip's (16) jaws (18) along with the bedsheets (14). Bedsheets (14), latte slat (12) and clips (16), all are tucked underneath a mattress (20). The latte slat (12) consists of a plurality of interconnected latte slat segments (22) connected in a male-female fashion by way of a latte slat tab (40).

page 4, paragraph 1,

When inserting the latte slat (12) and the bedsheets (14) into the jaws (18), the adjustable clip (16) can easily be closed tight on the bedsheets (14) by applying pressure on the handles (24) but because of the ratchet (26), the handles (24) cannot open without depressing the button (30). Once the button (30) is depressed and with the help of a biasing means (34) set around the axis (32), the handles (24) rotate and open the adjustable clip (16) to free the bedsheets (14). The button (30) itself has a button axis (36) and a button biasing means (38) so that the pawl (28) is biased toward the ratchet (26). The ratchet (26) allows the jaws (18) to retain a degree of closure to hold the bedsheets (14) while being releasable by depressing the button (30) so as to selectively free the bedsheets (14) and the latte slat (12) as well.